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76-10-501 Definitions.

As used in this part:

- (1)
 - (a) "Antique firearm" means:
 - (i) any firearm, including any firearm with a matchlock, flintlock, percussion cap, or similar type of ignition system, manufactured in or before 1898;
 - (ii) a firearm that is a replica of any firearm described in this Subsection (1)(a), if the replica:
 - (A) is not designed or redesigned for using rimfire or conventional centerfire fixed ammunition; or
 - (B) uses rimfire or centerfire fixed ammunition which is:
 - (I) no longer manufactured in the United States; and
 - (II) is not readily available in ordinary channels of commercial trade; or
 - (iii)
 - (A) that is a muzzle loading rifle, shotgun, or pistol; and
 - (B) is designed to use black powder, or a black powder substitute, and cannot use fixed ammunition.
 - (b) "Antique firearm" does not include:
 - (i) a weapon that incorporates a firearm frame or receiver;
 - (ii) a firearm that is converted into a muzzle loading weapon; or
 - (iii) a muzzle loading weapon that can be readily converted to fire fixed ammunition by replacing the:
 - (A) barrel;
 - (B) bolt;
 - (C) breechblock; or
 - (D) any combination of Subsection (1)(b)(iii)(A), (B), or (C).
- (2) "Bureau" means the Bureau of Criminal Identification created in Section 53-10-201 within the Department of Public Safety.
- (3)
 - (a) "Concealed firearm" means a firearm that is:
 - (i) covered, hidden, or secreted in a manner that the public would not be aware of its presence; and
 - (ii) readily accessible for immediate use.
 - (b) A firearm that is unloaded and securely encased is not a concealed firearm for the purposes of this part.
- (4) "Criminal history background check" means a criminal background check conducted by a licensed firearms dealer on every purchaser of a handgun, except a Federal Firearms Licensee, through the bureau or the local law enforcement agency where the firearms dealer conducts business.
- (5) "Curio or relic firearm" means a firearm that:
 - (a) is of special interest to a collector because of a quality that is not associated with firearms intended for:
 - (i) sporting use;
 - (ii) use as an offensive weapon; or
 - (iii) use as a defensive weapon;
 - (b)
 - (i) was manufactured at least 50 years before the current date; and

- (ii) is not a replica of a firearm described in Subsection (5)(b)(i);
 - (c) is certified by the curator of a municipal, state, or federal museum that exhibits firearms to be a curio or relic of museum interest;
 - (d) derives a substantial part of its monetary value:
 - (i) from the fact that the firearm is:
 - (A) novel;
 - (B) rare; or
 - (C) bizarre; or
 - (ii) because of the firearm's association with an historical:
 - (A) figure;
 - (B) period; or
 - (C) event; and
 - (e) has been designated as a curio or relic firearm by the director of the United States Treasury Department Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms under 27 C.F.R. Sec. 478.11.
- (6)
- (a) "Dangerous weapon" means:
 - (i) a firearm; or
 - (ii) an object that in the manner of its use or intended use is capable of causing death or serious bodily injury.
 - (b) The following factors are used in determining whether any object, other than a firearm, is a dangerous weapon:
 - (i) the location and circumstances in which the object was used or possessed;
 - (ii) the primary purpose for which the object was made;
 - (iii) the character of the wound, if any, produced by the object's unlawful use;
 - (iv) the manner in which the object was unlawfully used;
 - (v) whether the manner in which the object is used or possessed constitutes a potential imminent threat to public safety; and
 - (vi) the lawful purposes for which the object may be used.
 - (c) "Dangerous weapon" does not include an explosive, chemical, or incendiary device as defined by Section 76-10-306.
- (7)
- (a) "Dating relationship" means a romantic or intimate relationship between individuals.
 - (b) "Dating relationship" does not include a casual acquaintanceship or ordinary fraternization in a business or social context.
- (8) "Dealer" means a person who is:
- (a) licensed under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 923; and
 - (b) engaged in the business of selling, leasing, or otherwise transferring a handgun, whether the person is a retail or wholesale dealer, pawnbroker, or otherwise.
- (9) "Domestic violence" means the same as that term is defined in Section 77-36-1.
- (10) "Enter" means intrusion of the entire body.
- (11) "Federal Firearms Licensee" means a person who:
- (a) holds a valid Federal Firearms License issued under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 923; and
 - (b) is engaged in the activities authorized by the specific category of license held.
- (12)
- (a) "Firearm" means a pistol, revolver, shotgun, short barreled shotgun, rifle or short barreled rifle, or a device that could be used as a dangerous weapon from which is expelled a projectile by action of an explosive.
 - (b) As used in Sections 76-10-526 and 76-10-527, "firearm" does not include an antique firearm.

- (13) "Firearms transaction record form" means a form created by the bureau to be completed by a person purchasing, selling, or transferring a handgun from a dealer in the state.
- (14) "Fully automatic weapon" means a firearm which fires, is designed to fire, or can be readily restored to fire, automatically more than one shot without manual reloading by a single function of the trigger.
- (15)
 - (a) "Handgun" means a pistol, revolver, or other firearm of any description, loaded or unloaded, from which a shot, bullet, or other missile can be discharged, the length of which, not including any revolving, detachable, or magazine breech, does not exceed 12 inches.
 - (b) As used in Sections 76-10-520, 76-10-521, and 76-10-522, "handgun" and "pistol or revolver" do not include an antique firearm.
- (16) "House of worship" means a church, temple, synagogue, mosque, or other building set apart primarily for the purpose of worship in which religious services are held and the main body of which is kept for that use and not put to any other use inconsistent with its primary purpose.
- (17) "Machinegun firearm attachment" means any part or combination of parts added to a semiautomatic firearm that allows the firearm to fire as a fully automatic weapon.
- (18) "Prohibited area" means a place where it is unlawful to discharge a firearm.
- (19) "Readily accessible for immediate use" means that a firearm or other dangerous weapon is carried on the person or within such close proximity and in such a manner that it can be retrieved and used as readily as if carried on the person.
- (20) "Residence" means an improvement to real property used or occupied as a primary or secondary residence.
- (21) "Securely encased" means not readily accessible for immediate use, such as held in a gun rack, or in a closed case or container, whether or not locked, or in a trunk or other storage area of a motor vehicle, not including a glove box or console box.
- (22) "Short barreled shotgun" or "short barreled rifle" means a shotgun having a barrel or barrels of fewer than 18 inches in length, or in the case of a rifle, having a barrel or barrels of fewer than 16 inches in length, or a dangerous weapon made from a rifle or shotgun by alteration, modification, or otherwise, if the weapon as modified has an overall length of fewer than 26 inches.
- (23) "Shotgun" means a smooth bore firearm designed to fire cartridges containing pellets or a single slug.
- (24) "Shoulder arm" means a firearm that is designed to be fired while braced against the shoulder.
- (25) "Single criminal episode" means the same as that term is defined in Section 76-1-401.
- (26) "Slug" means a single projectile discharged from a shotgun shell.
- (27) "State entity" means a department, commission, board, council, agency, institution, officer, corporation, fund, division, office, committee, authority, laboratory, library, unit, bureau, panel, or other administrative unit of the state.
- (28) "Violent felony" means the same as that term is defined in Section 76-3-203.5.